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**FOR IMMEDIATE POSTING**

**DRAFT SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2011/2012 ANNUAL  
ACTION PLAN OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S FIVE YEAR  
CONSOLIDATED PLAN (2010 – 2015) PERTAINING TO THE METHOD OF  
DISTRIBUTION FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT  
PROGRAM (CDBG)**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ANNOUNCEMENT**

The State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (Department), is soliciting public review and comment to the Draft Substantial Amendment of the 2011/2012 Annual Action Plan for the State of California's Consolidated Plan FY 2010-2015 (Substantial Amendment). The Substantial Amendment is a result of changes made to the State's Method of Distribution of its Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) funding. The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to administer the CDBG funds. In accordance with the State's Public Participation Plan for its Consolidated Plan, the Substantial Amendment must be published for no less than 30 calendar days for public comment before it is submitted to HUD.

The State of California's Method of Distribution required changes to improve programmatic flexibility, efficacy, and efficiency.

**The public comment period will begin Thursday, March 1, 2012 and end at 5:00pm Friday, March 30, 2012.** The Draft Substantial Amendment of the 2011/2012 Annual Action Plan for the State of California's Consolidated Plan FY 2010-2015 will be available for public review on the Department's website: [www.hcd.ca.gov](http://www.hcd.ca.gov), or at the Department's Community Development Block Grant Program in Suite 390; at planning departments of counties with at least one non-entitlement jurisdiction, and at the following depository libraries:

California State Library, Government Publications (Sacramento)  
California State University, Meriam Library (Chico)  
California State University, Library- Government (Long Beach)  
Free Library, Government Publications (Fresno County)  
Public Library, Serials Division (Los Angeles)  
Public Library (Oakland)  
Public Library, Science & Industry Department (San Diego)  
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Stanford University Libraries, Green Library, Government Docs  
University of California, Government Documents Library (Berkeley)  
University of California, Shields Library, Government Documents (Davis)  
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University of California, Government Publications (Santa Barbara)

In addition, three public hearings will be held where the Department will take written comments:

March 16, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	1800 Third Street, Room 470 Sacramento, CA
March 20, 2012 from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Tulare County, Government Plaza RMA Main Conference Room 5961 S. Mooney Blvd Visalia, CA
March 28, 2012 from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Holtville City Hall, City Council Chamber 121 W. Fifth Street Holtville, CA

All written comments can be submitted via facsimile (916-327-6660), electronic mail ([cdbg@hcd.ca.gov](mailto:cdbg@hcd.ca.gov)), or mailed to the following address:

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If you have questions or are in need of translators or special services, please contact the Department's Community Block Grant Program at (916) 552-9398. Please advise the Department within five working days prior to the scheduled hearing in order to facilitate a request for translator or special services needs. This proposal has been determined EXEMPT from CEQA (Public Resources Code Section 21080.10(b)) and CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED from NEPA (Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations 50.20(o)(2)).